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Suyker et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3734
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U.S. Patent Application No. 10/805,714	)	Examiner: Michael T. Andersen
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Title: Mechanical Anastomosis System	)	
For Hollow Structures	)	

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2007. This response is timely by virtue of the petition for a two-month extension of time and payment of the required extension fee.

It is considered that all fees due in connection with this response have been paid herewith. However, if the Director determines that any fees are due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge such fees to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account no. 50-0462.

**A listing of claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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